

Logic Programming - Traveling

Assume we have the following facts:

```
feet(fhnw, olten_sbb).  
feet(fhnw, olten_city).  
  
train(olten_sbb, bern_sbb).  
train(olten_sbb, zurich_airport).  
train(olten_sbb, zurich_sbb).  
  
flight(zurich_airport, las_vegas).  
  
bus(las_vergas, yosemite).  
bus(yosemite, san_francisco).
```

Exercise

Write Horn clauses defining the following predicates `path/2` with the obvious meaning, i.e. there is a path from one point to another, e.g.

```
?- path(fhnw, san_francisco).
```

Solution

```
feet(fhnw, olten_sbb).  
  
train(olten_sbb, bern_sbb).  
train(olten_sbb, zurich_airport).  
train(olten_sbb, zurich_sbb).  
  
flight(zurich_airport, las_vegas).  
  
bus(las_vegas, yosemite).  
bus(yosemite, san_francisco).  
  
aPath(A,Z) :- feet(A,Z).  
aPath(A,Z) :- train(A,Z).  
aPath(A,Z) :- flight(A,Z).  
aPath(A,Z) :- bus(A,Z).  
  
path(A,Z) :- aPath(A,Z).  
path(A,Z) :- aPath(A,B), path(B,Z).
```

However, the following solution DOES NOT WORK: it runs into an endless loop.

```
path(X,Y) :- feet(X,Y).  
path(X,Y) :- train(X,Y).  
path(X,Y) :- flight(X,Y).  
path(X,Y) :- bus(X,Y).  
  
path(X,Y) :- path(X,Z), path(Z,Y).
```



Based on the solution for path we can develop the solution for change ...

```
feet(fhnw, olten_sbb).  
  
train(olten_sbb, bern_sbb).  
train(olten_sbb, zurich_airport).  
train(olten_sbb, zurich_sbb).  
  
flight(zurich_airport, las_vegas).  
  
bus(las_vegas, yosemite).  
bus(yosemite, san_francisco).  
  
aChange(A,Z) :- feet(A,Z).  
aChange(A,Z) :- train(A,Z).  
aChange(A,Z) :- flight(A,Z).  
aChange(A,Z) :- bus(A,Z).  
  
change(A,Z,0) :- aChange(A,Z).  
change(A,Z,C) :- aChange(A,B), change(B,Z,C1), C is C1 + 1.
```

